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MINUTES UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY UTAH WATER OUALITY BOARD

168 North 1950 West Room 101 Salt Lake City, Utah 84116 Friday, October 19, 2007

UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Paula DoughtyJay OlsenLeland MyersSteve SimpsonDarrell MenselDaniel SnarrMerritt FreyGregory Rowley

ABSENT: Mayor Joe Piccolo and Dave Echols

DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Walt Baker, Faye Bell, Ed Macauley, John Whitehead, Harry Judd, Shelly Quick, John Kennington, Emily Canton, Beth Wondimu, Ying Ying Macauley, Judy Etherington, David Snyder

OTHERS PRESENT

NameOrganization RepresentingMike LuersSnyderville Basin WRDMichael BoyleSnyderville Basin WRDPhil WrightUtah Local Health Depts.Dale PiersonRural Water Assoc of UtahDouglas StipesJBS Swift (EA Miller)

Vice Chair Doughty called the Board meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. She welcomed those in attendance and invited the members of the audience to introduce themselves.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2007 MEETING

Mr. Myers noted a few spelling errors and some changes in wording in the motion made on Central Weber SID Reauthorization and South Valley Sewer District Authorization.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Mr. Mensel to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2007 Board meeting with the noted corrections. The motion was unanimously approved.

Executive Secretary's Report: Mr. Baker updated the Board that the Governor recently made a visit to the Department to explain his energy program and goals. Activities on the Water Quality Standards Workgroup continue. The division recently received funding from the EPA in the amount of \$497,000 for work on Mercury and Non Point Source projects. All vacancies in the division have been filled and the division is about ready to begin implementing an electronic document management system, which is a paperless way to process work thoughout the division.

RULEMAKING

Adoption of Revisions to *R317-4*, *Onsite Wastewater Systems*: On August 17, 2007 the Board authorized initiation of rulemaking to revise R317-4, Utah Administrative Code, "Onsite Wastewater Systems." The public comment period for this rule ends October 15, 2007. The Division of Water Quality has received no comments from the public or other interested parties related to the proposed changes. Mr. Snyder requested that the Board adopt the proposed changes.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Ms. Frey to approve staff's

request to adopt the proposed revisions to R317-4. The motion was

unanimously approved.

Adoption of Revision to *R317-101, Utah Wastewater Project Assistance Program and R317-102, Utah Wastewater State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program*: On August 17, 2007 the Board authorized initiation of rulemaking to revise Utah Administrative Code R317-101 and R317-102. The public comment period for this rule ended October 15, 2007. The Division of Water Quality received no comments from the public or other interested parties related to the proposed changes. The rule revisions were in response to the 2007 legislative changes to the Utah Code Annotated 73-10c which enabled NPS grants to be made. Ms. Quick requested that the Board adopt the proposed changes.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Sprott and seconded by Mr. Simpson to approve the

proposed changes to R317-101 and R317-102. The motion was unanimously

approved.

Adoption of Revisions to *R317-10, Certification of Wastewater Works Operators*: Ms. Etherington explained to the Board that no comments have been received from the public or other interested parties related to the proposed changes. The Wastewater Operator Certification Council unanimously recommends that the proposed changes be adopted without alteration. It is expected that they will become effective October 22, 2007.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Rowley and seconded by Mr. Sprott to approve staff's

request to adopt the proposed revisions on Rule on R317-10. The motion was

unanimously approved.

Initiate Rulemaking for R317-1, R317-3, R317-13 and R317-14 Water Reuse Requirement and Effluent Disposal Requirements: Mr. Kennington and Mr. Mackey presented to the Board the proposed changes to R317-1, R317-3, R317-13 and R317-14 and requested the Board's approval to initiate rulemaking. Mr. Myers recommended some modifications be made in the language on Pgs. 2.36, 2.37, 2.40. The requested changes included the following: In R317-3-11.4 B. 1 b. - a change in the text allow an expansion of the allowed approved filtration processes to include "other approved processes. In R317-3-11.4 C. - a change to clarify that sampling for reuse water compliance need only be done on days when the reuse

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water passes the sampling point of compliance. In R317-3-11.8 A.3 a. – a change to require the use of locator wire over reclaimed water pipelines, as opposed to a recommendation for its use.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Myers and seconded by Ms. Frey to approve staff's

request to initiate rulemaking on R317-1, R317-3, R317-13 and R317-14, subject to the changes previously discussed. The motion was unanimously

approved.

LOAN PROGRAM

Financial Assistance Status Report – Ms. Canton updated the Board on the "Summary of Assistance Program Funds" as outlined on page 3.1.

Snyderville Basin Water Reclamation District Authorization: Ms. Wondimu introduced Mike Boyle and Mike Luers from Snyderville Basin Water Reclamation District SBWRD is requesting financial assistance in the amount of a \$22,110,000 loan at an interest rate of 2.3% repayable over 20 years for the expansion and upgrade of two existing wastewater treatment facilities to meet future growth of member entities and to insure continued compliance with Total Maximum Daily Loading (TMDL) standards. The loan amount includes \$2,000,000 for a non-point source pollution project to be identified at a later date.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Myers to approve the staff recommended loan of

\$22,110,000 at an interest rate of 2.3% with a term of 20 years subject to the special conditions outlined by staff. The motion was seconded by Ms. Frey.

The motion was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Water Quality Standards Workgroup Update: Mr. Bill Moellmer gave the Board a presentation on behalf of Ying-Ying Macauley.on the progress of the Water Quality Standards (WQS) Workgroup. The presentation covered the composition, purpose, meeting schedule, and key discussion topics of the WQS Workgroup. The anticipated time frame is to receive the recommendations from the WQS Workgroup on revising water quality standards and to re-initiate the formal triennial review process in February of 2008.

Operating Permits Update: Mr. Kennington gave the Board an update on the Operating Permits.

NEXT MEETING

November 16, 2007 in Room 101 at the DEQ Building 9:00 AM

Joe Piccolo, Chairman Utah Water Quality Board